SRI K. PRABHAKAR:—In all such cases of accidents resulting in pity, it is the policy of the Government to give help to the needy first in the form of First Aid. Then, the question of inquiry and fixing up of responsibility etc., will invariably follow.

SRI K. MADE GOWDA:—When the Government is going to fix responsibility and when are they going to conduct the inquiry ?

SRI K. PRABHAKAR:—It is implied in the report that the detailed report is called for from the Deputy Commissioner. On getting the detailed report, all those things will be looked into.

SRI K MADE GOWDA:—The Deputy Commissioner suspended the operation of boats temporarily. The nereby villagers have to travel 18 miles to reach Kollegal and it is causing hardship to the villagers. Whether the Government proposes to operate a motor boat in that river to help the villagers ?

SRI K PRABHAKAR:—The action taken by the Deputy Commissioner in stopping the ferry is timely and it is correct also but the hon. Member is suggesting that it cannot be stopped for a longer time as it would cause inconvenience to the public. The Goverament will certainly look into it and see that the best arrangement is done. What form of boat is to be put is a question of details.

Statement by the Minister of State for Primary and Secondary Education

(i) *re : Taking over of the new local body high schools by Government and absorption of staff into Government Service.*

ಶ್ರೀ ಟಿ.ಆರ್ ಶಾಮಣ್ಣ (ಕೆ.ಜಿ).—ಮಾನ್ಯ ಅಧ್ಯಕ್ಷರೇ, ಸ್ಥಳೀಯ ಸಂಸ್ಥೆಗೆ ಸಂಬಂಧಪಟ್ಟಂತೆ ಅವರಿಗೆ ಆಗಿರತಕ್ಕಂಥಾ ಅನ್ಯಾಯದ ಬಗ್ಗೆ ಒಂದು ಹೇಳಿಕೆಯನ್ನು ಮಾನ್ಯ ಮಂತ್ರಿಗಳು ಕೊಡ ಬೇಕೆಂದು ನಾನು ಕೇಳಿಕೊಳ್ಳುತ್ತೇನೆ.

SRI M. MALLIKARJUN KHARGE (Minister of State for Primary and Secondary Education) —Madam Speaker, I would like to make the following Statement.—

Declaration of employees of the taken over schools of Government Servants without linking with the acceptance of documents executed by the Management —Government took a policy decision to take over the Secondary School run by the Taluk Development Boards, Town Municipal Councils, and Town Panchayats in the State, as the teachers of these Institutions were urging for quite some time to do so for proper maintenance and administration. Accordingly, in Government order No. ED 40 SLB 70 dated 30-4-1971 sanction was

accorded to take over of 360 Local Body High Schools consisting of 288 Taluk Development Boards, 69 Town Municipal Councils and 3 Town Panchayats High Schools with effect from 1-4-1971, with all their assets and liabilities unconditionolly on "Consent Basis" Subsequently, a second batch of 67 High Schools consisting of 11 Municipal High Schools, 55 Taluk Development Board High Schools and 1 Town Panchayat High School, a third batch of 23 High Schools consisting of 3 Municipal High Schools and 20 Taluk Development Board High Schools and a fourth batch of 15 High Scoools consisting of 14 Municipal High Schools and 1 Taluk Development Board High School were ordered to be taken over by Government with effect from 1-4-1973, 1-1-1976 and 1-1-1977 respectively.

In all 465 Local Body High Schools were ordered to be taken over to Government control so far. The process of taking over of these schools is not yet completed. It involves execution of agreement bonds and gift deeds, verification of statements containing particulars of assets and liabilities, scrutiny of appointments of the staff made by the Local Bodies and Options exercised by them, verification of these records at different levels and issue of final orders regarding accep ance of documents and absorption of staff into Government service. The documents of a number of Institutions received had to be returned as there were certain discrepancies in the agreement bonds. Further, the gift deeds transferring all assets including lands, buildings and all other equipment, furniture and other movable properties belonging to the schools were not executed. Unless these things are completed, the employees of the taken over schools cannot be declared as Government Servants. This no doubt has created some inconvenience to the staff of Local Body High Schools taken over to Government control.

With a view to expedite the process of take over of the schools to Government control, Government in their orderNo. ED 39 MML 77, dated 22-6-1977 have ordered that the Local Body High Schools taken over to Government control be treated as Government High Schools and the employees of these schools as Government servants, if the Managements have executed the agreement deeds, the possession of the assets of the schools have been handed over to the Government and the staff have been recruited in accordance with the rules and accepted staffing pattern of the schools and have exercised their option to be absorbed in the Government service. This will facilitate speed issue of formal orders of absorptions of these employees into Government service. After the issue of formal orders absorbing them in Government service, they will be entitled to the benefits avilable to employees of the Government High Schools. So far, out of 465

documents received in respect of 400 High Schools, formal Government orders after completion of scrutiny and legal formalities in respect of 165 schools have already been issued. In respect of 31 schools, Government orders absorbing the staff is under issue. In respect of the remaining schools, the process of scrutiny will be completed expeditiously and Government orders issued.

Promotions.—For the purpose of regulating the services of employees of the Local Body High Schools consequent on their take over Government in their order dated 30-4-1971 have prescribed certain procedure. According to the same the quotas for promotions have to be fixed on the basis of the number of teachers in each category. This could be done only after completion of the process of take over of the schools. However, 33 Senior Assistant Masters working in Ex-Municipal High Schools have been promoted as Headmasters and 52 Second Division Clerks working in the Ex-Municipal High Schools have been promoted as First Division Clerks purely on a temporary and *ad hoc* basis, as a stop gap arrangement, subject to review of these promotions after the process of take over is finalised and the promotions regulated Unitwise on the basis of final Gradation list. Similarly, 67 Senior Assistant Masters working in Ex-Talnka Development Board and Ex-Town Panchayat High Schools have also been promoted as Headmasters purely on a temporary and *ad-hoc* basis.

Extension of Employees Family Benefit Scheme.—The employees Family Benefit Scheme is intended for the benefit of the Government servants. As the employees of the taken over Local Body High Schools have not been formally absorbed in Government service, they are not eligible for the benefit of the Family Benefit Scheme. However after the issue of formal orders absorbing them in Government service, they will become eligible for the benefit of Family Benefit funds as in the case of other Government Employees

Sanction of full gratuity to the retired employees.—In the case of employees of taken over schools who retire prior to the completion of the process of take over, the gratuity is determined as per the Triple Scheme Rules as applicable to the Employees of Private aided institutions. This measure has been adopted to avoid hardship that may be causes to the employees by postponing the settlement of gratuity till the process of take over is completed. However, the pensionary benefits in respect of such employees will be reviewed after the process of take over is completed and whatever extra benefits that the employees should get will be given to them; at any rate they will not be deprived of the gratuity as admissible to the employees in Government Schools. But, it can be finalised only after the process of take over is completed.

In the case of employees who retire after the process of take over has been completed in respect of their schools, the Pension claims are determined taking into account the total service put in by the employees. But, in respect of the temporary service but in by the employees prior to coming into force of the Triple Benefit Scheme when the contributory Provident Fund was not mandatory, no recovery has been effected either from the employees or from the local bodies towards Provident Fund. As a measure of concession and in order to see that the employees are not made to suffer on this account it was been ordered that pension benefits should be extended in respect of this category of employees also provided the employees and the Managements agree to credit to Government their pension contribution equally at the rate of 1/16th of the pay of the employee and subject to this condition the D.C.R.G. claims of employees are being settled. In cases where contributions have not been made by the employees, the D.C.R.G is paid subject to recovery of the contribution that they have to pay.

Transfer of Employees of the taken over Schools.—At present, the transfer of employees is restricted to within the respective Units. This arrangement is made in order to avoid any confusion till the process of take over is completed. If the transfers are effected from one unit to another, it presents certain difficulties.

Even while effecting transfers within the units, so far as the employees of taken over schools are concerned, the same principle adopted for transfer of teachers in Government High Schools is adopted. Normally, the transfers are restricted to within the Division. In case of request, inter division transfers are also being permitted. So far as the Headmasters of these taken over schools are concerned, the State has been taken as a unit for transfers.

Now, the documents in respect of about 85% of the schools have been received by Government. Instructions have been issued to obtain and forward the remaining documents immediately. A Special Cell has also been set up at Government level to expedite the process of take over of the schools and vigorous efforts are being made to complete the work within three to four weeks.

ಶ್ರೀ ಟಿ. ಆರ್. ಶಾಮಣ್ಣ.—ಈಗ ನಾನು ಅತಿ ಮುಖ್ಯವಾಗಿ ಹೇಳುವುದು ಏನೆಂದರೆ ಅದು ಮಾನವೀಯತೆಗೆ ಸಂಬಂಧಪಟ್ಟ ವಿಚಾರ. ಕಳೆದ 5-6 ವರ್ಷಗಳಿಂದಲೂ ಅವರು ತ್ರಿಶಂಕು ಸ್ವರ್ಗದಲ್ಲಿ ಇದ್ದಾರೆ. ಇದರಿಂದ ಆ ಉಪಾಧ್ಯಾಯರುಗಳು ಬಹಳ ತೊಂದರೆಪಡುತ್ತಿದ್ದಾರೆ. ಮೊತ್ತ ಅದರ ಬಗ್ಗೆ 4-5 ದಿವಸಗಳಿಂದ ಅವರು ಇಲ್ಲಿ ಉಪವಾಸ ಮಾಡುತ್ತಿದ್ದಾರೆ. ಇಷ್ಟು ತೀವ್ರತೆ ಇದ್ದರೂ ಕೂಡ ಸರ್ಕಾರದವರು ಇವರ ಬಗ್ಗೆ ಸ್ವಲ್ಪ ನಿರ್ಲಕ್ಷ್ಯ ಭಾವನೆಯಿಂದ ಇದ್ದಾರೆ ಎಂದು ನನಗೆ ತೋರುತ್ತದೆ ಕಾರಣ ಅವರಿಗೆ ಈ ಬಗ್ಗೆ ಯಾವ ಪರಿಹಾರವನ್ನೂ ಕೂಡ ಬಗೆಹರಿಸದೇ ಇರುವುದರಿಂದ ಹೀಗಾಗಿದೆ. ನಮ್ಮಾರು 400 ಹೈಸ್ಕೂಲ್‌ಗಳು ಪೈಕಿ 50 ಭಾಗದ

ಸೈನ್ಯಕರ್‌ಗಳು ಈ ಬಗ್ಗೆ ಇನ್ನೂ ತೀರ್ಮಾನವಾಗಿಲ್ಲ ಎಂದು ಹೇಳುತ್ತೇನೆ. ಅದಕ್ಕೆ ಸಂಬಂಧ ಪಟ್ಟಿಂಥಾ ಬೆನಿಫಿಟ್ಸ್, ಟ್ರಾನ್ಸ್‌ಫರ್ಸ್‌ಮತ್ತು ಪ್ರಮೋಷನ್‌ಗಳು ಏನು ಇವೆ ಆ ಬಗ್ಗೆ ಮಾನ್ಯ ಮಂತ್ರಿಗಳು ಈಗಲಾದರೂ ಕೂಡ ತಕ್ಷಣ ಕ್ರಮ ತೆಗೆದುಕೊಳ್ಳುವಂತೆ ಏರ್ಪಾಡು ಮಾಡುತ್ತೀರಾ ಮತ್ತು ಈ ಬಗ್ಗೆ ಅವರಿಗೆ ಪರಿಹಾರ ಒದಗಿಸುವುದಕ್ಕೆ ತಕ್ಷಣ ಕಾರ್ಯಕ್ರಮ ಕೈಗೊಳ್ಳುತ್ತೀರಾ?

ಶ್ರೀ ಎಂ. ಮಲ್ಲಿಕಾರ್ಜುನ ಖಾರ್ಗೆ.—ಅಧ್ಯಕ್ಷರೇ, ನಾನು ಈಗಾಗಲೇ ಹೇಳಿದ ಹಾಗೆ ಮೊನ್ನೆ ತಾನೇ ಅಂದರೆ 21ನೇ ಜೂನ್ 1977ರಂದು ಈ ಬಗ್ಗೆ ಒಂದು ಸರ್ಕಾರದ ಆಜ್ಞೆ ಹೊರಡಿಸಿದ್ದೇವೆ.

SRI H. D. DEVEGOWDA.—In that order, you have imposed three conditions. If those conditions are going to be fulfilled then only the quetstion of finalisation of taking over of schools will be completed.

SRI MALLIKARJUNA KHARGE.—Those conditions that are basic have been obtained from the concerned persons and there is no difficulty in it. That is why I said that this matter will be settled within 3-4 weeks. On 22nd June 1977 Government passed an order to bifurcate that gift deed and agreement deed, and within 3-4 weeks that will be settled.

ಶ್ರೀ ಟಿ. ಆರ್. ಶಾಮಣ್ಣ.—ನಾನು ಈಗ ಮತ್ತೊಮ್ಮೆ ಮಾನ್ಯ ಮಂತ್ರಿಗಳನ್ನು ಕೇಳಿ ಕೊಳ್ಳುತ್ತೇನೆ. ಅವರ ಜೊತೆಯಲ್ಲಿ ಕುಳಿತು ಈ ಬಗ್ಗೆ ಚರ್ಚೆ ಮಾಡಿ ಆದಷ್ಟು ಬೇಗ ಅವರ ಬೇಡಿಕೆಗಳನ್ನು ಬಗೆಹರಿಸುವುದಕ್ಕೆ ಕಾರ್ಯಕ್ರಮ ಕೈಗೊಳ್ಳುತ್ತೀರಾ?

ಶ್ರೀ ಮಲ್ಲಿಕಾರ್ಜುನ ಖಾರ್ಗೆ.—ಅವರ ಡಿಮ್ಯಾಂಡ್‌ಗಳು ಏನು ಇದೆ ಅದನ್ನು ನಾನು ಪೂರ್ತ ಓದಿದ್ದೇನೆ ಮತ್ತು ಅವರಿಗೂ ಸಹ ಹೇಳಿದ್ದೇನೆ. ಅಲ್ಲದೆ ಈಗ ತಾನೇ ವಿರೋಧ ಪಕ್ಷದ ನಾಯಕರು ಮತ್ತು ಶ್ರೀಮಾನ್ ಟಿ. ಆರ್. ಶಾಮಣ್ಣನವರು ಇದರ ಬಗ್ಗೆ ಏನು ಹೇಳಿದರು ಅದನ್ನು ಈಗಾಗಲೇ ಅವರಿಗೆ ಸವಿಸ್ತಾರವಾಗಿ ಹೇಳಿದ್ದೇನೆ. ಆದುದರಿಂದ ಮತ್ತೆ ಅವರನ್ನು ಕರೆಸಿ, ಅವರ ಜೊತೆಯಲ್ಲಿ ಮತ್ತೆ ಚರ್ಚೆ ಮಾಡುವ ಪಶ್ನೆ ಉದ್ಭವಿಸುವುದಿಲ್ಲ.

Statement by the Minister of State for Animal Husbandry

re : Strike by the Veterinary College students.

SRI K. B. SRINIVASULU NAIDU (Shantinagar).—I wish that Minister for Animal Husbandry makes statement on hunger strike by the Veterinary Students.

SRI B. G. BANAKAR (Minister of State for Animal Husbandry).—Madam Speaker, I would like to make the following statement.

Some students of the Veterinary College, Hebbal started a strike by not attending classes and coming in procession to Vidhana Soudha Their main demand is for increased pay for Veterinary Graduates on entry as Veterinary Assistant Surgeons on par with the Medical Graduates with M.B.B.S. Degree. In addition they have also urged implementation of the recommendations of the Naryan Pai Pay Commission and in particular retent on of the posts of Joint Director and Sen or Assistant Director which have been abolished in the recent